

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of forming an output image in an image forming system, comprising ~~the steps of:~~  
instructing the system to duplicate an original portion of an input document;  
~~receiving~~ producing image data corresponding to ~~an input image on an~~ the original portion of the input document;  
forming a duplicate image of the original portion of the input document; and  
reproducing the duplicate image data a selected number of times on a printing medium ~~to form said output image.~~
2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ selecting the number of times said input image is replicated to form said output image on said printing medium.
3. (Canceled)
4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ receiving user instructions ~~corresponding to formation of said output image~~ to duplicate only a specific portion of an original document.
5. (Currently Amended) A method of forming an output image in an image forming system, comprising ~~the steps of:~~  
obtaining instructions relating to image formation;  
obtaining input image data relating to an original portion of an input image and based at least partially on said instructions; and  
forming said output image comprising said original portion of the input image replicated one or more times on a single printing medium as directed by said instructions.

6. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein said obtaining instructions ~~step comprises~~include communicating with a user through a user interface and receiving user instructions ~~as to~~ duplicate only a specific portion of an original document to form ~~formation of~~ said output image.

7. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein said obtaining instructions ~~step comprises~~include receiving instructions as to which specific original portion of said input image is to be replicated.

8. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein said obtaining instructions ~~step comprises~~include receiving instructions as to a number of replications of said original portion of said input image ~~required to be replicated~~.

9. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein said obtaining input image data ~~comprises~~include scanning ~~at least a~~ specific portion of an image to be printed.

10. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein said obtaining input image data ~~comprises~~include receiving a signal from a remote device containing said input image data.

11. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein ~~said forming an the output image step comprises~~include printing said original portion of said input image in a repeated fashion up to a predetermined number in concurrence with said instructions.

12. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, further comprising ~~the step of~~ automatically detecting dimensions of said original portion of said input image and automatically determining ~~said a~~ predetermined number of repeated original portions of said input images able to be printed on a single printing medium.

13. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, further comprising ~~the step of~~ allowing a user to specify an offset for said input image on said printing medium.

14. (Currently Amended) An image forming system, comprising:  
an image input stage for receiving image data corresponding to an input image;  
a control stage for selecting at least ~~a~~ an original portion of said input image  
and replicating said original portion a predetermined number of times to form an output  
image; and  
an image output stage for producing said output image on a printing medium.
15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 14, wherein said control stage  
comprises a user interface for selecting the number of times said original portion of said input  
image is replicated in said output image on said printing medium.
16. (Original) The system of claim 14, wherein said control stage comprises a  
user interface for providing printing instructions.
17. (Original) The system of claim 14, wherein said control stage determines the  
number of input image replications that can be produced in said output image on said printing  
medium.
18. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 14, wherein said control stage can  
automatically calculate a maximum number of reproductions of said original portion of said  
input image possible for said single printing medium.